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K. ....and if they are moving ahead would you move ahead. I have talked with Dinitz.

S. Yes, he has called me and summarized your conversation. I will call him back and keep him posted when the planes leave.

K. Good. Fine.

S. On the Romanian visit. Apparently there is no problem with the dates.

K. I will just offer them.

S. Fine. The Israelis said the Egyptians 25th armor division has crossed the canal. They feel they will try to break out.

K. The Russians will not accept an Australian proposal. It is either the British or nothing. They probably figure that the British won't move. We may be forced to pour stuff in there.

S. We may. That is a very different strategy but it may be necessary to try.

K. We can't let Israel lose....If the Soviet side wins we will be in very bad shape. Then we will have to break the detente and go to a higher defense budget.

S. No question about it. It is very serious. if it goes that way. I am trying to stay on top of this thing now and I will keep bugging them.

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